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SUB: RETURN OF UNTSO PERSONNEL FROM CAIRO; UN EVACUATION
FROM DAMASCUS

1. RELIABLE UNTSO SOURCE INFORMED US 1100 LOCAL OCT 11 THAT UNTSO
C OF S GENERAL SIILASVOU WAS RETURNING TO JERUSALEM FROM CAIRO
ABOUT 1600 LOCAL SAME DAY.

2. SOURCE ALSO STATED THAT UNTSO OBERSERVERS FROM OPS ON EAST
SIDE OF CANAL, WHO HAD BEEN ECACUATED BY EGYPTIANS TO CAIRO,
WERE BEING RETURNED TO THEIR BASE IN JERUSALEM. GROUP HAD ARRIVED
BACK BY AIR OCT 10, AND REMAINDER DUE OCT 11. OBSERVERS FROM
OPS ON WEST BANK OF CANAL REMAINING IN CAIRO, WHERE THEY ARE
BASED. PERSONNEL OF UNTSO CAIRO HEADQUARTERS ALSO
REMAINING. COMMENT: THERE HAS BEEN SOME FEAR IN UNTSO
HEADQUARTERS JERUSALEM THAT EGYPTIANS MIGHT BE PREPARING GROUND
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FOR PERMANENT ELIMINATION OF OPS IN SUEZ AREA. IT IS SOMEWHAT

REASSURING THAT CAIRO-BASED STAFF IS REMAINING AT LEAST FOR NOW.

3. REGARDING EVACUATION UN DEPENDENTS FROM DAMASCUS, SOURCE SAID, MOVEMENT BEGAN YESTERDAY BY AUTOMOBILE TO BEIRUT. EVACUATION OF REMAINDER UNDERWAY. EVACUEES MAY BE MOVED ONWARD FROM BEIRUT TO CYPRUS.

4. PREPARATIONS ALSO IN TRAIN FOR POSSIBLE EVACUATION UN DEPENDENTS FROM AMMAN.

5. SOURCE TOLD US ALSO THAT US OBERVER PREVIOUSLY ON DUTY IN OP-MAR (LEBANON) HAS BEEN RELIEVED AND ONLY ONE US OBSERVER REMAINS IN AN OP--WAUGAMAN IN OP-5 ON SYRIAN-ISRAELI LINE.
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